105TH CONGRESS 2D SESSION

H. R. 4848

To amend the Fair Credit Reporting Act to allow any consumer to receive a free credit report annually from any consumer reporting agency.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

OCTOBER 16, 1998

Mr. Kennedy of Massachusetts (for himself and Ms. Roybal-Allard) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Banking and Financial Services

A BILL

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- 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
- 2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,
- 3 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.
- 4 (a) In General.—This Act may be cited as the
- 5 "Free Annual Credit Report Act of 1998".
- 6 SEC. 2. FREE CREDIT REPORT ANNUALLY UPON REQUEST
- 7 OF CONSUMER.
- 8 Section 612 of the Fair Credit Reporting Act (15
- 9 U.S.C. 1681j) is amended—

| 1 | (1) by redesignating subsections (c) and (d) as |
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| 2 | subsections (d) and (e), respectively; and |
| 3 | (2) by inserting after subsection (b) the follow- |
| 4 | ing new subsection: |
| 5 | "(c) Free Credit Report Annually Upon Re- |
| 6 | QUEST OF CONSUMER.—Upon the request of any con- |
| 7 | sumer, any consumer reporting agency shall make all dis- |
| 8 | closures pursuant to section 609 without charge to such |
| 9 | consumer at least once each calendar year.". |
| 10 | (b) Technical and Conforming Amendment.— |
| 11 | Section 612(a)(1) of the Fair Credit Reporting Act (15 |
| 12 | U.S.C. 1681j(a)(1)) is amended by striking "(c), and (d)" |
| 13 | and inserting "(c) (d) and (e)" |

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